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SUMMARY. INITIAL THREE DAYS OF PC-V FOCUSED ON UNIDO-II PREPARATIONS. WHILE LDC DECLARATIONS VARIED SOMEWHAT IN TONE, THEY UNANIMOUSLY CALLED FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF DECLARATION AND PROGRAM OF ACTION OF SIXTH SPECIAL SESSION. VARIOUS GROUP B POINTS OF VIEW DETAILED BY FRG AND UK, WITH FORMER EMPHASIZING PRIMARY ROLE OF MARKET MECHANISM IN STRUCTURING OF WORLD INDUSTRY. FRG ALSO STRESSED INFEASIBILITY OF SHARE TARGETS AND OF ECONOMIC PLANNING AT GLOBAL LEVEL AND REJECTED CREATION OF NEW INTERNATIONAL MACHINERY FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONSULTATIONS. USDEL WILL SPEAK ON UNIDO-II ITEM FOLLOWING DEC. 5-10 RECESS FOR INTRA-GROUP CONSULTATIONS. END SUMMARY.

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1. ORIGINAL ORDER OF AGENDA FOR PC-V MAINTAINED PLACING UNIDO-II ITEM BEFORE OTHER BUSINESS. GROUP B POSITION THAT LESS URGENT ITEMS BE DISPOSED OF FIRST WAS REJECTED BY LDC'S AND GROUP D ON GROUNDS THAT UNIDO-II MOST IMPORTANT ITEM AND SHOULD BE DISCUSSED IMMEDIATELY. UNIDO-II ITEM WILL BE REOPENED AFTER DEC. 5-10 RECESS.

2. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ABDEL-RAHMAN OPENED PC-V WITH EULOGY FOR EX-SYG U THANT. CZECH REPRESENTATIVE KAREL KOMAREK, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT, ASSUMED POSITION OF ACTING PRESIDENT IN ABSENCE FERNANDINI WHO REMAINED IN NEW YORK AFTER ECLA MEETING IN MEXICO CITY. USDEL ALT REP MARION GRIBBLE UNANIMOUSLY ELECTED RAPPORTEUR TO FILL VACANCY CAUSED BY DEPARTURE OF UK RAPPORTEUR.

3. UNIDO-II ITEM COMMENCED WITH GENERAL STATEMENTS RUNNING PRETTY MUCH TRUE TO PAST FORM. SOVIETS STRESSED THEME OF DETENTE AS NECESSARY PRE-CONDITION FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, WITH OTHER BLOC SPEAKERS ECHOING THIS LINE. PRC BLAMED ILLS OF WORLD ON "COLONIALISM, IMPERIALISM AND HEGEMONISM" OF SUPER-POWERS AND PREACHED USUAL THEME OF SELF-RELIANCE. TANZANIAN REPRESENTATIVE, IN PERSON OF HIGH COMMISSIONER IN LONDON, DELIVERED IMPRESSIVE LDC STATEMENT IN WHICH HE ECHOED CHINESE EMPHASIS ON SELF-RELIANCE IN DEVELOPMENT AND SPECIFICALLY OUTLINED WHAT, IN HIS VIEW, WERE NECESSARY STEPS FOR LDC INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT. BRAZIL ONCE AGAIN CALLED FOR ACCORDING UNIDO SPECIALIZED AGENCY STATUS.

4. WHILE LIMITED NUMBER OF DELEGATES SPOKE ON THIS ITEM, LDC'S AND BLOC COUNTRIES INSISTED ON IMPLEMENTATION OF DECLARATION AND PROGRAM OF ACTION OF SIXTH SPECIAL SESSION AND ITS RELEVANCE FOR UNIDO-II. FRG AND UK SHOULDERED BURDEN OF DC RESPONSE, EMPHASIZING RESERVATIONS OF DC'S TO DECLARATION AND PROGRAM OF ACTION. FRG STATEMENT WAS COMPREHENSIVE IN COVERING OBJECTIONABLE POINTS IN SECRETARIAT DOCUMENT ID/B/C'3/27 SUCH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AS SHARE TARGETS, INDUSTRIAL REDEPLOYMENT AND ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW BUREAUCRATIC MACHINERY TO FACILITATE INTERGOVERNMENT CONSULTATIONS. FRG STATEMENT ALSO STRONGLY SUPPORTED CONCEPT OF MARKET SYSTEM AND IMPORTANCE OF FAVORABLE CLIMATE AS KEY FACTOR IN ATTRACTING PRIVATE INVESTMENT. WHILE FRG STATEMENT, AS WELL AS THAT OF UK, WAS FIRM, IT NONETHELESS ADMITTED NEED TO TAKE FRESH LOOK AT HOW INTERNATIONAL

ECONOMIC RELATIONS MIGHT BE IMPROVED. IN VIEW OF THESE STATEMENTS, USDEL DECIDED TO RESERVE STATEMENT ON THIS ITEM UNTIL AFTER DEC. 5-10 RECESS.

5. ITEMS 5(A), FOLLOW-UP TO SIXTH SPECIAL GA AND 5(B) FOLLOW-UP TO WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE (WFC) HANDLED QUICKLY AND ROUTINELY PRIOR TO RECESS. USDEL RECALLED ITS RESERVATIONS TO DECLARATION AND PROGRAM OF ACTION AND EXPLAINED ITS OPPOSITION TO LINKAGE WITH THOSE RESOLUTIONS PER UNEC D-589/74. WE SPECIFICALLY ASSOCIATED MANY UNIDO PROGRAMS OUTLINED IN ID/B/C.3/28 WITH PREPARATIONS FOR UNIDO-II. AS FOR OTHER UNIDO ACTIVITIES MENTIONED IN DOCUMENT, WE SAID WE WOULD SCRUTINIZE THESE DURING STUDY OF PROGRAM/BUDGET FOR NEXT BIENNIUM DURING IDB/IX. SEVERAL LDC'S AND BLOC COUNTRIES AGAIN STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF SPEEDY IMPLEMENTATION OF DECLARATION AND PROGRAM OF ACTION OF SIXTH SPECIAL SESSION.

6. SECRETARIAT DISTRIBUTED BRIEF FACTUAL NOTE ON WFC SHORTLY BEFORE ITEM WAS DISCUSSED. NOTE PROMISED DETAILS OF SPECIFIC FOLLOW-UP BY UNIDO WOULD BE INCLUDED IN UNIDO-II DOCUMENTATION. WE, AS SEVERAL OTHERS, MERELY EXPRESSED CONTINUED INTEREST IN UNIDO'S WORKING CLOSELY WITH FAO AND OTHERS IN IMPLEMENTING RESOLUTIONS OF WFC, ALTHOUGH ALGERIAN DELEGATE (OBSERVER) TOOK SECRETARIAT TO TASK FOR NOT HAVING DONE MORE ON THIS ITEM.

7. GROUP B AND G-77 STARTED INTRA-GROUP CONSULTATIONS DEC. 5. IT OUR UNDERSTANDING GROUP D WILL NOT CAUCUS BUT SIMPLY GO ALONG WITH SOVIET POSITION STATED IN "MEMO OF SOVIET DELEGATION TO SECOND UNIDO GENERAL CONFERENCE" DISTRIBUTED FEW DAYS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AGO AND NOT SUBMIT ITS OWN DRAFT DECLARATION AND PLAN OF ACTION.

8. ZAIRIAN MIN. OF INDUSTRY, NDONGALA TADI LEWA, ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF G-77 FOR DURATION OF DEC. 5-10 MEETING. G-77 WORKING PARTY COMPRISING FIVE DELEGATIONS FROM EACH OF ASIAN, AFRICAN AND LA REGIONAL GROUPS WAS SELECTED TO DRAFT DECLARATION AND PLAN OF ACTION. ACCORDING SEVERAL LDC DELEGATES, ALGERIA HAS OFFERED TO HOST G-77 MEETING IN FEB. IN LIEU OF DAMASCUS MEETING WHICH FOR SOME REASON HAD BEEN CANCELLED. ALGERIANS ARE PUSHING HARD FOR POLEMICAL POLITICAL LANGUAGE IN UNIDO-II DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES AND PLAN OF ACTION AND OBVIOUSLY HOPE HOSTING SUCH MEETING WILL FURTHER SOLIDIFY THEIR INFLUENCE IN G-77. STIBRAVY

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